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Re: **I/M/O New Jersey Board of Public Utilities**
Petition for Delegated Authority to Implement
Number Conservation Measures
CC Docket No. 96-98; file NSD-L-00-95

Dear Secretary Salas:

I had filed a petition dated May 2, 2000 as well as a letter update to the petition dated June 14, 2000 on behalf of the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities for Delegated Authority to Implement Number Conservation Measures. To date, the FCC has not acted on our petition. I write to inquire as to the status of the filing and to request an expedited review of the petition.

The delegated authority to implement number conservation measures including mandatory thousands-block pooling would improve number utilization, especially in those NPAs which are currently in jeopardy of exhaust. The Board recognizes that conservation should not be a substitute for area code relief and is reviewing two dockets through which area code relief has been sought. However, without the interim authority to implement number conservation measures, area code relief alone may not be sufficient to avoid another declaration of jeopardy of exhaust because of the demands of a large number of competitive carriers preparing to enter the telecommunications marketplace in New Jersey. The September 15, 2000 utilization reports have been reviewed and indicate that there is a substantial amount of thousands-block numbers which are available and can be used to further provide number conservation as soon as such authority is delegated to New Jersey. The ability to

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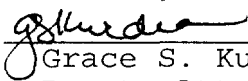
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implement mandatory thousands-block pooling would greatly alleviate the potential for a declaration of jeopardy of exhaust just after the designation of new NPAs, if such relief is determined to be necessary through the review of those filings. Moreover, since filing the above-captioned petition with the FCC, the Board has also provided some relief to wireless providers by lifting the restrictions on the grandfathered NXXs. Receiving the delegated authority to implement mandatory thousands-block pooling would enable New Jersey to further conserve numbers.

Therefore, the Board respectfully requests that the FCC consider New Jersey's Petition for Delegated Authority to Implement Number Conservation Measures on an expedited basis in order to enable New Jersey to ensure more efficient number utilization. Thank you for your immediate attention and consideration regarding our petition.

Very truly yours,

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